# POLICY RI SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## SCHOOL HEALTH AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE

### **Purpose**

To promote the health and well-being of students and employees, decrease obesity, discourage unhealthy lifestyles, and to enhance the health and emotional well-being of students and employees.

### **Policy**

In accordance with <u>RI Gen. Laws § 16-2-9</u> (a)(23),(24), and § 16-21-28, the RI School for the Deaf Board of Trustees shall establish a coordinated school health and wellness subcommittee chaired by a member of the Board appointed by the Board chair. The subcommittee will make recommendations regarding the district's health education curriculum and instruction, physical education curriculum and instruction, and nutrition and physical activity policies to decrease obesity and enhance the health and well being of students and employees.

The School Health and Wellness Subcommittee shall consist of members of the general public, a majority of whom are not employed by the school district and including at least one parent.

The RI School for the Deaf Board of Trustees shall also endeavor to appoint teachers, administrators, students, community and school-based health professionals, business community representative; and representatives of local and statewide nonprofit health organizations.

The RI School for the Deaf Board of Trustees may merge this Health and Wellness Subcommittee with any other district-wide volunteer committee so long as the membership requirements outlined above are met. The term of office shall be for one year running from September 1 to August 30. There shall be no limit on the number of terms a Member may serve and a member whose term has expired shall continue to hold office until his or her successor is appointed.

#### References

RI Gen. Laws § 16-2-9, 23,24, 28 School Health and Wellness Subcommittee

RI Gen. Laws § 16-21-29 Healthier School Snacks

RI Gen. Laws § 16-21-7 School Health, Healthier School Snacks

School Health Program

**Basic Education Program** 

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